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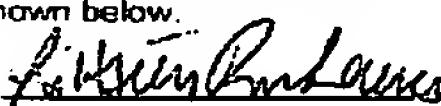
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In response to the final Office Action mailed November 16, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in light of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this Amendment.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this Amendment.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this Amendment.